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DAILY

Engineering prof wins award for leadership

By Alexa Ratcliffe
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

"Live in the now" is Professor Marty Kaliski's philosophy. This belief has built his resume to include being a Cal Poly professor, past head of the electrical engineering department, accomplished radio talk show host, founder of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers (IEEE) Central Coast Section and consultant to local attorneys.

His most recent addition is the 2002 IEEE Regional Professional Leadership Award, which recognizes those who promote the understanding of technology to the general public and whose efforts improve the quality of life through the application of technology.

Kaliski graduated from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology with an electrical engineering degree in 1971.



KALISKI

"I basically have been in the academic world since

then," he said. "I have now taught for over 30 years."

Kaliski began his teaching career at the City University of New York. He then moved to teach at Northeastern University in Boston for 13 years.

He came to Cal Poly in 1986 and became the chair of the Electrical Engineering Department in 1989. He served as chair from 1989 to 1991 and 1995 to 2001, during which time he also founded the IEEE Central Coast Section in 1994.

Assistant computer engineering professor Albert A. Liddicoat had Kaliski as a professor 15 years ago.

"In his lectures he is able to present the material in a very clear and understandable manner," Liddicoat said. "His knowledge of the subject matter and eloquence make for interesting and exciting lectures."

Liddicoat said Kaliski was an approachable professor who students could relate to outside of campus.

"I was quite surprised when I called him out of the blue ten years after graduation and he remember me like it was yesterday," he said.

While jump-starting the IEEE Central Coast Section, Kaliski

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Celebrating a hero



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(Above) Students marched from Dexter Lawn to the UU Plaza 11 a.m. Thursday in commemoration of Martin Luther King Jr. (Left) Terrence Roberts, part of the Little Rock Nine, spoke at UU hour about his experiences with integration, meeting King and fighting racism through non-violence.

Afghan culture topic of Poly course

By Jordan Schultz
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly Continuing Education will offer a two-part introductory class this month on Afghanistan.

"Afghanistan: An Introduction" will explore topics regarding the country's land, culture and people, as well as its history and current state a year after Sept. 11.

Cal Poly ethnic studies professor Maliha Zulfacar, who was born in Afghanistan, will teach the class Saturday and Jan. 25 from 9 a.m. to noon.

The course is open to students and local residents.

"We basically pull together courses that serve the interests of the general public," said Margo Camilleri, marketing and public relations specialist for Cal Poly Continuing Education. "There is an obvious interest in Afghanistan because of the events of Sept. 11."

Zulfacar said she intends to provide an overview of what has occurred in the past and what is currently happening in Afghanistan.

Gender, developments within the country, the daily struggles of women under the burka — the veil they wear — and the role the international community has played in the reconstruction of Afghanistan are among the topics on the course agenda.

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Inkless fingerprinting provides efficiency

By Steve Hill
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Throw out the ink pad. Say goodbye to messy fingers. Forget about waiting a month for results.

Say hello to Live Scan, the newest member of the Cal Poly Police Department.

Live Scan is a computerized fingerprinting system that made its way to campus in October, said Terri Minetti, the University Police Department's Live Scan coordinator. The new technology digitizes a fingerprint after it is placed on a glass screen and sends it directly to the Department of Justice or the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

The advantages of Live Scan are greater accuracy and faster results,

she said.

"On an ink print it will take four to six weeks to get a response back (on someone's records)," Minetti said. "On a Live Scan, you get it the next day."

It also eliminates the hassle of ink-stained fingers.

"I've done a couple of ink prints since I've been here, and it's just a lot easier," said biology junior Brandon Sims, who serves as one of two student assistants at the Live Scan office. "This totally disregards the mess of ink."

The Cal Poly Live Scan center mostly serves people whose fingerprints are required for employment, such as campus human resource employees, custodians or anyone working at the Associated Students Inc. Children's Center, Minetti said.

The center also serves non-campus populations, including Big Brothers and Big Sisters of San Luis Obispo County. This partnership brings in students who are part of the Poly Pals mentoring program run by Student Community

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Terri Minetti
Live Scan coordinator

Services, allowing them to be fingerprinted without the hassle of traveling to the much busier San Luis Obispo County Office of Education.

"They're one of the main places in the county, and we've heard (it takes) at least three weeks to get an appointment," Minetti said. "We get people in the same day or the next ... and we have hours that are better suited for people who work or go to school."

Gail Kennedy, administrative assistant for ASI Children's Services, also praised the accessibility of the on-campus location.

"Now we can do it (fingerprint) on campus," Kennedy said. "It's

really convenient."

Beyond convenience, though, Minetti is just happy that the police department can further contribute to the campus and surrounding areas alike.

"It shows we are willing to provide whatever services we can for our community," she said. "It shows that Cal Poly is growing and that we're another resource for community services."

The Live Scan office is located behind the University Police Department and is open Monday through Friday from 9 to 11 a.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. To make an appointment, contact Minetti at 756-6663.

Weather Watch

5-Day Forecast

FRIDAY
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SATURDAY
High: 68° / Low: 44°



SUNDAY
High: 68° / Low: 44°



MONDAY
High: 66° / Low: 46°



TUESDAY
High: 64° / Low: 44°



Today's Sun

Rises: 7:11 a.m. / Sets: 5:16 p.m.

Today's Moon

Rises: 4:36 p.m. / Sets: 6:49 a.m.

Today's Tides

Low: 2:15 a.m. / 2.7 feet
High: 8:28 a.m. / 6.3 feet
Low: 4 p.m. / -1 feet
High: 10:49 p.m. / 3.8 feet



Ag conference hosts 400 students

By Stacey Dorning
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Agriculture students from across the country descended on Cal Poly Thursday for the eighth annual National Agriculture Ambassadors Conference.

The Ag Ambassadors conference is a two-day event that brings together college students from across the nation to exchange ideas and share recruiting techniques for the agriculture industry and provides a forum for the attending colleges to present workshops on leadership and various aspects of the agriculture field.

Faculty co-advisor Carolyn Jones said the conference will host about 400 students from visiting colleges. Some of the colleges include the University of Arizona, Penn State, Purdue, Utah State and the University of Florida.

The event is open to all students, not only those in the College of Agriculture. Keynote speaker Tiffany Moffatt, a member of the California State Assembly Republican Caucus and Cal Poly alumna, will speak today at 9 a.m. An industry panel with representatives from Hilmar Cheese Co., Sunmade Growers and Coastal San Luis Conservation District will follow in Chumash Auditorium at 10:30 a.m.

A variety of speakers and workshops covering all divisions of agriculture are also planned.

"The conference doesn't focus on one area," said Rich Wolfe, Ag Ambassador Conference co-chair. "We want students to become more aware of agriculture in general."

Preparation for the conference began last spring with weekly meetings. Eventually 20 committees were formed, and the event came to fruition.

Ag Ambassadors represent the Cal Poly agriculture community, taking on leadership roles and acting as the communication link between the college and the agriculture industry. This group's public relations efforts have been ongoing for the past 14 years. Potential Ag Ambassadors must undergo an interview process, and 30 to 35 people are selected every year.

"Every meeting over 50 ambassadors attend, and the meetings are at 7 a.m.," Jones said. "Working with the Ag Ambassadors is like working with a battery that's supercharged. They are dedicated, productive members of society."

Jones is also a career adviser for the College of Agriculture. Being involved with the conference allows her to see students in a different

"What I most enjoy about it (the conference) is meeting and getting to know people who are passionate about agriculture."

Rich Wolfe

Ag Ambassador conference co-chair

perspective, she said. After the time and labor that went into it, Jones looks forward to seeing the conference come together, she said.

Promoting higher education in agriculture is one of the key purposes of the weekend. The conference acts as a team building event, recruiting more universities to extend their agricultural education. Last year's conference hosted more than 45 colleges and universities. Schools like the University of Nevada at Reno came to learn the skills to begin an agriculture department of its own.

"What I most enjoy about it (the conference) is meeting and getting to know people who are passionate about agriculture," Wolfe said.

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"I think to achieve a better understanding about Afghanistan and its people, it is important to focus on the impact 24 years of war has had on the ordinary lives of Afghans," Zulfacar said. "This is a seminar of how we as ordinary citizens can contribute to the well-being of Afghan people."

Zulfacar will also discuss different perspectives and viewpoints of those outside Afghanistan, she said.

Americans need to understand that we live in a global era, and

that we as a world are all very much connected, Zulfacar said.

After being asked to conduct the course, Zulfacar said at first she was skeptical about whether people would be interested enough in the subject to fill the class, but people have been registering.

The Sept. 11 terrorist attacks have led more people toward curiosity and a greater willingness to try to understand Afghan culture, she said.

"What happens in one country does impact us all globally," Zulfacar said. "The tragic events of 9-11 showed us that we don't live in a bubble and in isolation from world events."

Zulfacar, who considers herself a global citizen, said she feels con-

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Margo Camilleri

marketing and public relations specialist for Cal Poly Continuing Education

nected to both America and Afghanistan.

"The more we know, the better

prepared we are to understand the daily lives of the ordinary people around the world," she said. "I would like to explore the extraordinary strengths of Afghans: Their plight, their agony and yet their strength, their resilience and their hopes."

For more information on the class, visit www.continuing-ed.calpoly.edu or call the Cal Poly Continuing Education office at 756-2053. Registration fee is \$60.

"We hope to continue to enlighten and teach the general public about important events going on in the world," Camilleri said. "Afghanistan is one topic that is essential for people to understand."

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began his own radio talk show on KVEC News Radio.

"I was driving in my car one day and realized that there were no radio shows that discussed engineering," Kaliski said. "I started out as a guest and then three or four

months later began my own show."

Kaliski's show, "Technology and You," which featured weekly guests and discussed ways to promote community and industry involvement in the world of technology, aired Thursday afternoons from 1994 to 2000.

He ran the soundboard even though he had no previous experience in radio business.

Currently, Kaliski consults local

attorneys in design recovery for both software and hardware.

He also teaches an undergraduate Computer Engineering course in Embedded Systems and a graduate course in Computer Architecture. He teaches two quarters a year at Cal Poly.

"For the moment I have a good balance," he said. "I like the students and I like being here."

What's Going On

Coming up this week

***Comedy by Tim Conway and Harvey Korman** - The show will be at the Christopher Cohan Center's Harman Hall at 6:30p.m. today.

***Martin Luther King Jr. Day** - No school in observance of Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday.

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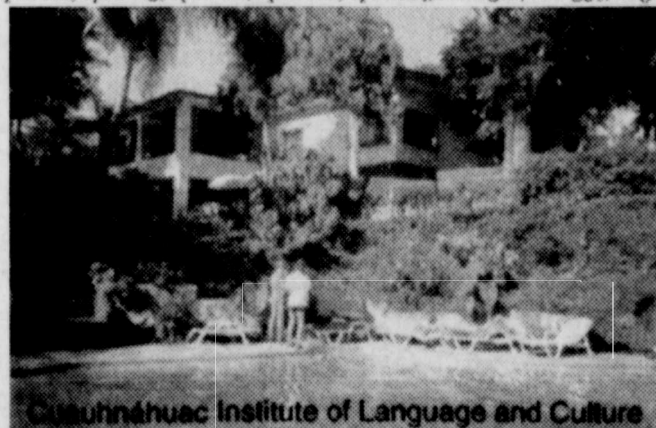
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U.N. inspectors find empty chemical warheads in Iraq

By Hamza Hendawi
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BAGHDAD, Iraq — An inspection team searching bunkers in southern Iraq on Thursday found 11 empty chemical warheads that Iraqi officials had not declared to the United Nations, a U.N. spokesman said. Iraq insisted that it had reported the rockets, which it said were old and never used for chemical weapons.

Also Thursday, inspectors searched the homes of two Iraqi scientists in Baghdad for the first time. One of the them, a physicist, left with inspectors, but it was unclear if there was any connection between the home search and the discovery of the munitions.

Debate immediately began about whether the warheads constituted a material breach under U.N. Resolution 1441.

The Bush administration insisted that Iraq was violating the resolution regardless of whether the warheads are in violation.

State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the inspectors themselves have indicated that Iraq has failed in a number of areas to cooperate fully with U.N. Security Council requirements.

"There's no point in continuing forever, going on, if Iraq is not cooperating," Boucher said.

White House spokesman Ari

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Fleischer said the administration was assessing the warhead discovery and would be deliberate about reacting to it.

The resolution stipulates Iraq must declare any banned weapons, their locations and related materials. Any false statements or the failure to cooperate "shall constitute a material breach," which could be a trigger for war.

U.S. officials, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said the discovery may not amount to a "smoking gun" unless some sort of chemical agent is also detected. Key questions about the find are whether any chemical weapons were ever loaded into the ordnance, and, if so, when, officials said. Serial numbers on the rockets should tell inspectors where and when they were made.

The 122 mm warheads were found in bunkers built in the late 1990s at the Ukhaider Ammunition Storage Area, 75 miles south of Baghdad, Hiro Ueki, the inspectors' spokesman in Baghdad, said in a statement. The team examined one of the warheads with X-ray equipment and took away samples for chemical testing, the statement added.

Ueki told The Associated Press the shells were not accounted for in Iraq's declaration. "It was a discovery. They were not declared." He also said a 12th warhead was also found that needed further evaluation.

But Lt. Gen. Hossam Mohammed Amin, the chief Iraqi liaison officer to the inspection teams, said they were short-range shells imported in 1988 and

mentioned in Iraq's report. He expressed "astonishment" over what he called "no more than a storm in a teacup."

Amin said the inspectors found the munitions in a sealed box that had never been opened and was covered by dust and bird droppings.

"When these boxes were opened, they found 122 mm rockets with empty warheads. No chemical or biological warheads. Just empty rockets which are expired and imported in 1988," Amin told reporters, adding similar ordnance was found by U.N. inspectors in 1997.

David Albright, a former nuclear weapons inspector in Iraq, said the discovery would represent a violation "if Iraq knew that these warheads existed and they are for chemical weapons."

Another former inspector said that at one time, Iraq had thousands of warheads filled with chemical agents.

"Trained chemical inspectors should be able to tell pretty easily whether the rockets discovered on Thursday are designed to be filled with chemical agents," said Terry Taylor, who heads the Washington office of the London-based International Institute for Strategic Studies.

On Dec. 7, a chemical team secured a dozen artillery shells filled with mustard gas that had first been inventoried by earlier inspectors in the 1990s. Those were the first weapons of mass destruction brought under inspectors' control in the current search, which began in November.

Chief inspectors Hans Blix and Mohamed ElBaradei have said Iraq's weapons declaration is incomplete, failing in particular to support its claims to have destroyed missiles, warheads and chemical agents such as VX nerve gas.

The United States, which has begun a heavy military buildup in the Persian Gulf, has threatened war on Iraq if it is found to be hiding banned weapons pro-

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International Institute for Strategic Studies

grams. The Iraqi government says it no longer has any chemical, biological or nuclear weapons and submitted a 12,000-page declaration to the United Nations last month that it said proved its case.

During the search at the Iraqi scientists' homes, the inspectors escorted one of them to a field to examine what appeared to be a man-made mound of earth. The scientist, who carried a box of documents as he left his house, was then taken to the inspectors' hotel along with the documents and Iraqi officials.

Amin said the inspectors also asked to speak privately at their hotel with two other scientists linked to Iraq's weapons programs Thursday, but the scientists refused to be interviewed without Iraqi officials present. The inspectors did not interview the two scientists, whom Amin did not identify.

Blix and ElBaradei have stepped up demands that Iraq improve its cooperation. Iraqis "need to be more active ... to convince the Security Council that they do not have weapons of mass destruction," Blix said, adding that the alternative is "the other avenue ... we have seen taking shape in the form of military action."

The homes searched Thursday were those of physicist Faleh Hassan and his next-door neighbor, nuclear scientist Shaker el-Jibouri, in the Baghdad neighborhood of al-Ghazalia.

It was the first time the inspectors

have searched private home since they resumed their work. The team searched the homes for six hours, with experts seen going through documents at a table set up near Hassan's front door and having an animated discussion with Iraqi liaison officials.

Afterward, Hassan — who is director of al-Razi, a military installation that specializes in laser development — drove with the inspectors and Iraqi officials about 10 miles west of Baghdad to an agricultural area known as al-Salamiyat. There, Hassan, two inspectors and a liaison officer walked to a bare field and examined the mound of earth for about five minutes.

Inspectors did not speak to journalists and it was not clear why they were interested in the mound. An Iraqi official later said the field was a farm that Hassan sold in 1996.

After the visit, a visibly angry el-Jibouri told reporters the inspectors spent two hours in his home — and cordoned it off for much longer — looking into everything, "including beds and clothes."

"This is a provocative operation," he said. "They did not take away any documents but they looked at personal research papers."

AP Washington correspondent George Gedda contributed to this report.

National Briefs

Senate Democrats lose bids to add homeland security, education funds to spending bill

WASHINGTON — Senate Republicans thwarted Democratic efforts Thursday to pump extra homeland security funds into a vast \$390 billion spending bill as GOP lawmakers backed President Bush's call to restrain the price tag.

In a pair of 51-45 votes, the Senate rejected Democratic amendments to add first \$5 billion, then \$3 billion, for state and local emergency responders and the FBI, as well as security at airports, energy plants and elsewhere. Sen. Zell Miller, D-Ga., was the only one to cross party lines.

Republicans also united to block a Democratic bid to add another \$6 billion to a measure for school districts serving poor communities and loans for low-income college students.

GOP lawmakers shielded themselves from accusations of not making schools a top priority, by voting to shift \$5 billion to education from other programs in the bill.

The votes came amid a debate on spending that had as a subtext whether Democrats could target Bush at a time when his popularity, though still high, has begun to settle.

UC policy faculty, student relationships in the limelight

SAN FRANCISCO — The University of California needs a formal ban on professors dating their students, some members of the nine-

campus system's governing board of regents said Thursday.

Regent Judith Hopkinson said she would like to see a policy developed that, in particular, would prohibit faculty from dating undergraduates.

UC's policies were propelled into the spotlight late last year when the dean of UC Berkeley's prestigious Boalt Hall Law School resigned over an accusation of sexual harassment brought by a former Boalt student.

UC has a policy banning sexual harassment, in compliance with federal law, and officials had been reviewing that as part of a routine update. Officials are looking at implementing a systemwide training program, part of which will start next month.

Court to decide if student's violent poetry is criminal

SAN FRANCISCO — The California Supreme Court is reviewing the case of a teenager who was convicted of writing violent poetry at school.

The case weighs a student's First Amendment right of expression against the government's quest to provide a safe campus environment in the wake of shootings at schools across the nation.

Five of the seven high court justices agreed Wednesday to hear the case involving George T., who was 15 when he was expelled from Santa Teresa High School and prosecuted under a criminal threats statute. The San Jose boy, whose name has

been withheld because he's a minor, was sentenced to 100 days of juvenile confinement in 2001.

In the boy's poem, he threatens to bring guns to school and kill students. His attorney said the boy's prosecution was an exaggerated response to the 1999 Columbine High School student shooting, that left 15 dead, and other student attacks nationwide.

Attorney Michael Kresser said Thursday the poem was artistic self-expression and George T. should never have been prosecuted for speech about things that he may or may not do.

International Briefs

Oxford students want Clinton as chancellor, poll says

LONDON — He may no longer be president, but Bill Clinton still is winning ballots.

A new poll says 48 percent of undergraduates at Oxford University want Clinton as their new chancellor, editors at Cherwell, the student magazine, said Thursday.

Clinton is a former Rhodes Scholar at Oxford whose daughter, Chelsea, now is a graduate student there.

His closest rival was Shirley Williams, one of the "Gang of Four" British politicians who split from the Labor Party to form the Social Democrats in 1981. She got 16 percent.

Cherwell sent out e-mail ques-

tionnaires to 1,000 undergraduates and based its findings on the first 100 replies. No margin of error was given, but it could be high, given the number of respondents.

News reports said Clinton has indicated he will not accept the post.

Vatican urges Catholic politicians to vote heed church teachings

VATICAN CITY — The Vatican issued a new set of guidelines for Catholic politicians Thursday, reminding them to heed the church's "nonnegotiable" teachings on abortion, euthanasia, same-sex marriage and other issues when making public policy.

The Vatican said it was publishing the document now because of medical and scientific advances and because of the "emergence of ambiguities or questionable positions in recent times."

In particular, the document said laws concerning abortion and euthanasia "must defend the basic right to life from conception to natural death. In the same way, it is necessary to recall the duty to respect and protect the rights of the human embryo."

It said laws safeguarding marriage between man and woman must be promoted and that "in no way can other forms of cohabitation be placed on the same level as marriage, nor can they receive legal recognition as such."

The document also referred

vaguely to issues of peace, saying Catholics should not confuse the church's promotion of peace and rejection of violence with "secular" pacifist and ideological visions.

Freedom spreads in the world despite war on terror, study shows

NEW YORK — Countries around the world witnessed no major loss of civil liberties in 2002, even as they struggled to find a balance between security and freedom in the fight against terrorism, according to an annual report on world democracy.

The progress of countries of the Middle East and North Africa remained stagnant, not only in the last year, but since the survey began in 1972, the nonprofit group Freedom House said in its "Freedom in the World" report.

The report said the world showed "significant gains" for freedom in 2002 in several countries and the number of nations designated as free outnumbered those designated as not free by 3-1.

Freedom House, a Washington-based, nonpartisan group, was founded nearly 60 years ago by Americans concerned about threats to democracy. It conducts advocacy, research and training to encourage and nurture democracy.

Briefs compiled from The Associated Press by Mustang Daily managing editor Malia Spencer.

Film

'Chicago' brings Broadway to big screen

By Laura Newman
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Sexy, scandalous and corrupt, "Chicago" is a delightful zinger that brings to life the cynicism and media exploitation of America's 1920s jazz era.

The film, an adaptation of John Kander, Fred Ebb and Bob Fosse's

1975 Broadway bombshell, does an impressive job of once again endearing the movie musical to contemporary viewers. Under the thrillingly manic direction of Rob Marshall, "Chicago" finally hits the big screen with a

hybrid of vaudeville stage performances and loopy dream sequences.

Richard Gere, fresh from a 20-odd year hiatus from Broadway musicals, plays the slick and slippery lawyer Billy Flynn. Despite a mediocre singing voice, Gere taps, swings and struts his way through the movie with breezy pizzazz. He is a criminal defense attorney with a flawless record and an affinity for sassy female felons.

His key femme-fatale clients are Velma Kelly (Catherine Zeta-Jones), a voluptuous cabaret vixen on Death Row at "Chicago's" Cook County Jail, and Roxie Hart (Renee Zellweger), a starry-eyed wannabe performer who just murdered her lover. In one publicity stunt after another, Flynn manipulates the press (and the women) with moves as slick as his hair.

"Chicago" gets an added punch from Queen Latifah as prison matron Mama Morton, who croons with sultry sexual ambiguities. John C. Reilly is Amos Hart, Roxie's lovingly pathetic husband. He is perhaps the movie's only sweet and selfless character, a sentimental symbol of that "Chicago" quickly tramples

over.

Director Marshall, far from Miramax's first choice to direct the adaptation, gives audiences the "razzle-dazzle" with cunning film cuts and juxtapositions. Sam Mendes ("American Beauty") was directing a Broadway revival of "Cabaret" in 1998 when Miramax approached him to direct the movie adaptation of "Chicago." Mendes, however, was already wrapped up in "American Beauty." Marshall was Mendes' co-director on "Cabaret"

Although director Rob Marshall scrapped most of Bob Fosse's brilliant original choreography, he compensates for it with captivating and dynamic cinematography that lights up a dark plot.

and approached Miramax with his ideas on "Chicago."

Miramax then connected Marshall with screenwriter Billy Condon ("Gods and Monsters").



COURTESY PHOTO

Flashy musical numbers always include cleavage, sequins and the splits.

Although he scrapped most of Fosse's brilliant original choreography, Marshall compensates for it with captivating and dynamic cinematography that lights up a dark plot. Faced with the challenge of

Roxie's daydreams.

The result is a fusion of fantasy and reality peppered with sex, murder, greed and jazz.

Marshall's decision to keep the cabaret-style song and dance numbers separate from the plot dialogue is key in making the movie musical more accessible to contemporary audiences. Instead of having songs burst unrealistically from ordinary conversation, "Chicago's" musical numbers play as intricate fantasies in Roxie's stream of consciousness.

"Chicago" may have other movies licked in the entertainment category, but it scores zilch in the depth department. However, shallowness has never been so bawdily fun.



COURTESY PHOTO

Catherine Zeta Jones takes a break from pushing cell-phones to dance, sing and be hoisted into the air.

About 'About Schmidt': Get out and see it

By Genevieve Fussell
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Meet Warren Schmidt, a 60-something retired Midwesterner whose comb-over is almost as pathetic as his life. Although I arrived 10 minutes late, I met him, adored him and entered the depths of sorrow with him.

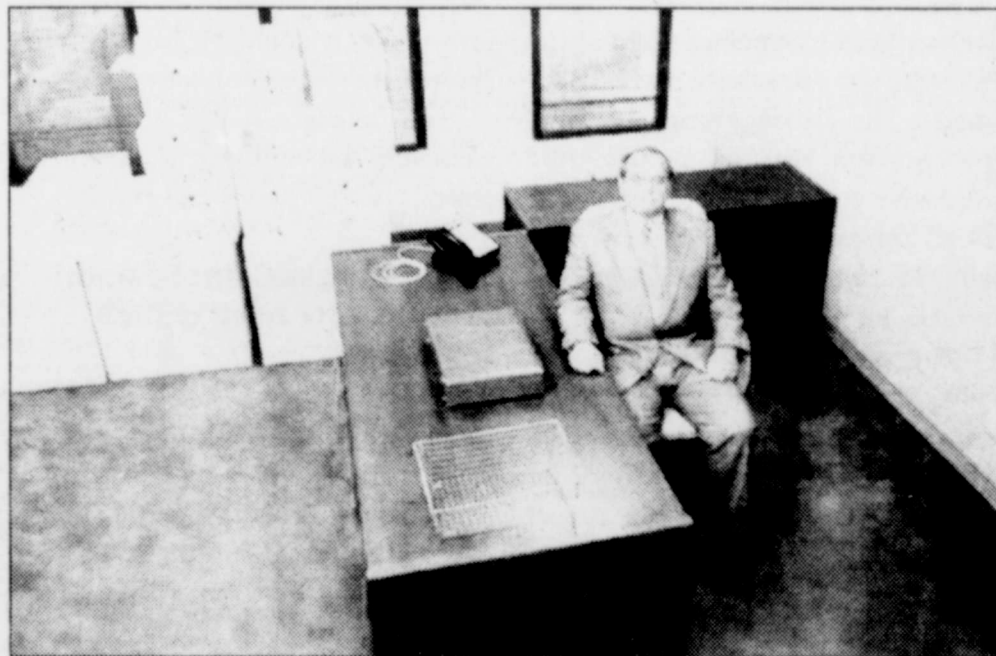
Director Alexander Payne's "About Schmidt" is a superb film that is simultaneously hilarious and depressing. Moments of comic genius are contrasted with the stark loneliness of an aging man who whittles away his days completing crossword puzzles in avoidance of his wife and her suffocating order.

After adopting an African boy named Ndugu through the television, he finds respite in his overwrought correspondence with the child.

However, his wife's sudden death forces Schmidt to re-evaluate his life. He embarks

on a road trip to protest his daughter's wedding to a waterbed salesman whose balding mullet is reminiscent of Michael Bolton in his prime.

Although Schmidt is intent on preventing the wedding, his efforts result in a bittersweet self-discovery.



COURTESY PHOTO

Jack Nicholson as Warren Schmidt. Did somebody say Oscar?

The film is excellently crafted, chronicling the mundane intricacies of Warren Schmidt—hence the name "About Schmidt." Jack Nicholson offers what is arguably one of his most brilliant performances in a title role.

His poignant portrayal of Schmidt's less-than-average life is a major departure from his typical films. Nicholson sheds his machismo and emerges as an incredibly raw character.

The sad simplicity of Schmidt's

life creates a portrait of a man with whom most people can relate. Schmidt could be your neighbor or your father, but hopefully not the latter.

Regardless of whether you are a Nicholson fan or not, you are bound to appreciate his Oscar-worthy performance. If you don't, you should.

The perfection of Nicholson's delivery is matched by that of the supporting cast. Kathy Bates is flawless as Roberta, the mother of the mullet-bearing groom (Dermot Mulroney).

Although Bates enters the film late, she leaves an indelible mark on the picture. She combines the unconditional love of a mother with the carefree nonchalance of a

washed-up hippie to create a character who is a little too comfortable in her own skin.

Now, I must issue a warning: There is a full frontal nudity shot of Kathy Bates in a hot tub, which was startling, to say the least.

However, it further attests to the honesty and blunt truth pervasive in this picture.

The film, adapted from a screenplay by Payne and Jim Taylor (the same duo that produced the Oscar-nominated "Election"), is essentially a dark comedy about an excruciatingly normal person.

Payne (who received critical acclaim for his debut film "Citizen Ruth") creates a remarkable film about a not particularly remarkable man.

In fact, the genius of the film lies therein. Nicholson plays the part of Schmidt with an almost disturbing accuracy. The cohesion of the film rests on his shoulders, and he bears the weight brilliantly.

"About Schmidt" is a refreshing film that will make you laugh and, if you're a total sap, cry. If you don't trust me, trust Mr. Golden Globe, who doled out five nominations in calling it the masterpiece it is.



COURTESY PHOTO

Dermot Mulroney and Hope Davis also star in the film, but Nicholson's performance as the mundane Schmidt gets all the attention. That, and who can say no to a naked Kathy Bates?

Music

Celebrity punks The Transplants have heart

By Michael Marquez
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Explaining the definition of punk in depth is a difficult task because, frankly, there is no true definition. Some people would say punk means to live your life by your own rules, being an individual, expressing your own uniqueness and making your own decisions in life.

As such, The Transplants represent this punk rock image.

The Transplants consist of Rancid front-man Tim Armstrong, Blink-182

drummer Travis Barker and newcomer vocalist Rob Aston, forming the most-anticipated side project since Operation Ivy.

Armstrong, one of punk's most accomplished musicians, handles guitar, vocals and programming duties. Aston, a former roadie for AFI and Rancid, takes his first attempt at actually leading his band into the punk rock scene. Simply put, Barker is possibly the best punk drummer in the business.

The group's self-titled debut is nothing short of a revolutionary

album that leads us into a sound that could be the future of punk rock. They combine the genres of punk, hip-hop, drum-and-bass electronic, funk, dub, dancehall reggae, industrial and jazz-influenced piano.

Armstrong, owner of Hellcat Records, decided to put the release on his own label after recording the album in his basement studio for a relatively paltry \$30,000.

The self-titled masterpiece consists of 12 hard-hitting punk rock tracks. Everyone from Brody Armstrong of the Distillers to Davey Havok of AFI

pops up on this album, making for one big party.

My favorite track is the party anthem "Tall Cans In The Air," which features Distillers front woman/Tim's wife Brody Armstrong. The song describes Aston's life with cocaine, chronic, alcohol and friends. The lyrics scream at you: "Tall cans in the air, let me see them. F--k you."

"California Babylon" is about the hidden dangers of Hollywood street life. It plays homage to the band's urban background with tales of decay. Armstrong fronts the song, with his

raspy Kingston-style voice always holding the flow.

Another favorite tune is "D.R.E.A.M.," the only true hip-hop track on the album, which leads the listener into the ghetto with Danny Diablo on vocals, which is Lord Ezek from Skarhead.

"We Trusted You" is a tale of betrayal that reminds us of past relationships. Singing along the lyrics is only fitting: "We trusted you, we put out a helping hand, only in return, we get a stabbing in the back."

The grief of losing a companion is conveyed in "Sad But True." This organ-backed ballad is in memory of one of Aston and Armstrong's close friends. The song holds a hard-core edge, with Aston angrily screaming for his friend that lost his battle with drugs.

The Transplants is the sound of musicians doing what they want and not caring what anyone else thinks about their music. This is not just another punk record. The Transplants' fusion of all different types of music couldn't be more true to the genre's rebel code.

After listening to the album more than 50 times, I have accepted it for what it is: a groundbreaking step forward for punk rock. I'm warning fans of traditional Operation Ivy or Rancid: This is definitely not another "Energy" or "And Out Come the Wolves."

The Transplants brought me an album that is a breath of fresh air from all the mainstream musical options that corporate America brainwashes into our minds. The Transplants give us a change, a new sound that nothing on the market currently offers. For this reason, I'm giving it a rating of four out of five tall cans.

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Keep the law out of the bedroom

They're baffling. They're astounding. They're often outright intrusive and unnecessary. Each state has its own unique set of sex laws that criminalize private consensual acts between adults. The government has bizarre jurisdiction over what you do in the sack, so don't get caught with your pants down.

Most recently, the Georgia Supreme Court overturned a 170-year-old law that made it a crime for unmarried people to have sex. The case involved a

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16-year-old boy who was caught having sex with his girlfriend in the bedroom of her home. In the state of Georgia the age of consent is 16. After an initial conviction, the boy was ordered to pay a fine and write an essay to the court on why he shouldn't have had sex.

Although Georgia's Supreme Court came to its senses and struck down this ruling, similar fornication laws still remain in Idaho, Massachusetts, Minnesota, South Carolina, Utah, West Virginia and Washington, D.C.

Fornication laws are not the only way the government violates your right to sexual privacy. In Texas and Georgia, you can receive a fine of up to \$10,000 for the heinous crime of (gasp!) selling or using sexual toys and devices. Georgia legislators contend, "Any device designed or marketed as useful primarily for the stimulation of human genital organs is obscene" and is considered a "misdemeanor of a high and aggravated nature." Apparently, Georgia is protecting its citizens from the dreaded dangers of dildos.

In Louisiana and Virginia, you may face felony charges and up to five years in prison if caught engaging in "unnatural carnal copulation" (oral sex). Washington, D.C. outlaws consensual oral sex as well.

So does that mean if you live at 1600 Pennsylvania AveNue. and engage in oral sex, you are committing a crime?

Every state in America has a law prohibiting sex with animals, except Wyoming. I'll let you draw your own conclusions, but I think it has something to do with isolation and long winters.

Although such laws are often so peculiar they are funny, they highlight a more serious issue - the government should not be able to reach into our bedrooms and criminalize the actions of people legally capable of consenting to those acts.

It is a gross invasion of personal privacy. Perhaps these criminal sex laws are laxly enforced, but they can have civil repercussions. Some courts have restricted the civil rights of unmarried cohabitants citing fornication laws. In Minnesota, unmarried couples were denied fair housing because of this loophole.

I'm certainly not contending that all sex laws are useless and invasive. Statutes that protect children, for instance, are direly important. However, laws that criminalize and punish acts of love (or lust) have no place in a modern and free society. These laws do not protect anyone and certainly do not improve anyone's quality of life. Their sole purpose is to impose intangible, moralistic mumbo jumbo and discriminate against people who have made alternative life choices.

Until each state's unnecessary sex laws are overturned, keep your blinds drawn and your sex toys hidden.

Laura Newman is a journalism junior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

Letters to the editor

Affirmative action needed to correct inequalities

Editor,

My response to Matthew Forte and his article dealing with affirmative action ("Supreme Court examines Michigan admissions policy," Jan. 15) is to become better informed. Yes, I do agree with Forte on his point that ethnicity and race don't have an effect on a student's aptitude. Instead, the reason why minority students often receive lower scores is largely due to unequal schooling opportunities.

Schools obtain much of their funding from taxes received in the areas in which they reside, therefore forcing a detrimental cycle of inadequate funding to occur in the impoverished areas where many minorities live. With this type of system, lost opportunities constantly occur, making it nearly impossible for these residents to rise out of their current situation. How is a minority student, raised in a single parent household, who has to work for his livelihood and attend a school that offers no AP or honors classes possibly supposed to compete on an equal playing field with a student who has had the benefits of SAT preparation classes and private tutoring?

If Forte wants minorities and whites equally considered for colleges, then both groups should in turn receive equal educational opportunities throughout their lives. You can't preach for equal opportunities for all without first allowing for equal upbringing. Affirmative action needs to occur due to the inequality of society.

I agree completely that minorities who lead their lives in middle-class society should compete on a more equal scale, but those who have been programmed for failure since the beginning of their existence and have risen above it deserve a break. Though an equal education for all may be guaranteed to us, in actuality it remains a myth.

Forte is right, upholding the Constitution should be more important to the Bush administration than re-election. So, on that note, uphold the document and provide equal opportunities for all of us from the beginning.

Caitlin Burkholder is a liberal studies junior.

Chicano doesn't follow strict definition

Editor,

This is in response to Jesus Garcia's letter to the editor ("Chicanos, Hispanics are different, share problems," Jan. 16). Your letter accuses me of making several assumptions in a previous statement.

Your definition of Chicano is simply an opinion, not fact. I believe Chicano/a is an evolving identity that is not limited by artificial national borders (i.e. the country of Mexico). Being Chicano/a means embracing and celebrating my indigenous heritage and fighting for the rights of my people (regardless of national origin). This is simply my belief and should not be regarded as an attempt to establish absolute truth as to what constitutes a Chicano/a. I respect persons who do not identify with being Chicano/a; in fact, it is terrific that we have a personal choice in self-identification.

In my letter to the editor, I never "assumed" all Hispanics in California are Chicano/a. Chicano/a is a label, just like Hispanic is, which I chose to place on this segment of the California population. I am not saying that Chicano/a is the best or only label, and I am certainly not saying all Hispanics in California are Mexican (refer to previous paragraph).

As for your assumption about Chicano/a studies, if you took any of these courses you would know that the focus is not solely on persons of Mexican descent. In my Chicano/a studies courses, I have studied works from El Salvador, Puerto Rico, Peru and Spain.

It is unfair and incorrect for you to assume that Chicano/a venues are my only concern. I never wrote that I am not interested in other ethnic venues. Quite the contrary: I have a deep interest in all multicultural events (such as next week's We're In This Together events).

The next time you wish to comment on what my beliefs and concerns are, please investigate to ensure that you are presenting facts and not incorrect assumptions.

Victor Rey is a crop science senior and president of M.E.Ch.A. de Cal Poly.

Baker gets pay raise while students get fee raise

Editor,

In regards to Wednesday's article ("Fees bring up student concerns") on the fee increase for the California State University system, I simply find it interesting that President Warren Baker claims to be concerned about the financial situation of the CSUs, yet he had absolutely no qualms about accepting a payraise just a few months before. That increase makes Warren Baker the highest paid president in the whole CSU system. His acceptance of that salary increase causes me to doubt the sincerity of his remarks.

Erin Bernard is an English junior who would support the fee increase if she were sure it would directly go back to the staff and students.

Televised symposium the answer to war problems

Editor,

In view of a possible war against Iraq and the major crisis with North Korea, I propose a worldwide "around the clock" televised symposium with President George Bush, President Saddam Hussein and President Kim Jong 2.

Unlike any other "sterile" meeting place, this symposium should be held in a place of natural beauty and wonder with pictures of inner and outer space. Provisions should be made to view, on screens, mankind's accomplishments. They should also view the atrocities of war and other miseries, as well as the destructive forces of nature: earthquakes, floods, droughts, hurricanes and tornadoes as humanity's only real enemy, besides pests and diseases.

Such a symposium, in which there is no hiding behind name, fame, fortune or position, will show the world and all brainwashed citizens who is a dictator or a true human being and worthy leader.

I'm appealing, on behalf of those who cannot speak for themselves, to Bill Gates, Ted Turner or any other billionaire to sponsor such a meeting, as it would only cost a fraction of what a war would, and with no loss of human lives and environmental damage. This symposium will create a sense of awe, wonder, humility and respect for ALL life, and will change minds forever, for good. Then it will be unlikely that any soldier, on either side, will be found who will pull a trigger or drop a bomb. Please let's try it, for the sake of ALL of us.

Gunther Ostermann is a resident of British Columbia, Canada.

Hostility the problem, not team spirit

Editor,

The "Mustang Militia" and its supporters need to get a good, strong grip on the real issue of this debate. It isn't about their abundant school spirit, which we should be a bit thankful for. I have to agree with Mr. Razo: Our students aren't the liveliest bunch of fans ever to grace the sports scene. On the other hand, acting like a bunch of rabid monkeys filled with unholy bloodlust isn't okay, either (no, I'm not a hockey fan).

That's the issue here; sportsmanship, not school spirit. Go ahead, cheer for your team. Dye your hair metallic gold and paint your face green, rip off your shirt to reveal the large, emerald "M" tattooed on your chest. But don't attack the other team or the referees! Such attacks are bad sportsmanship, reflecting poorly on our school, and that's what Ms. Scanlon was raising a fuss about, not the fact that some fans actually are secure with displaying school spirit.

Encourage your team, scream happily when they score, sing the fight song loud and proud, but don't mock the other team's players and single them out for verbal attacks. That's not cool.

Sara Stovall is a history sophomore who thinks the Mustang Militia has the right idea, just the wrong methods.

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Overt racism still a problem, say MLK event organizers

By Roman Gokhman

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(U-WIRE) EUGENE, Ore. — Overt racism may have slowed to a trickle since the Civil Rights Movement of the 1960s, according to some blacks and civil rights supporters, but most, including those at the University of Oregon, say it still exists in some form.

With the upcoming Martin Luther King Jr. holiday and recent firing of Northwest Christian College Dean Betsy Clewett, a dismissal that she said was because her support of minority students, many are taking this opportunity to question what has changed in the past four decades of the Civil Rights Movement.

"Some things are not out in the open, but they're still there," Black Student Union member Latina Lewis said.

Assistant history Professor Martin Summers, who specializes in African-American studies, agreed.

"Racism still remains at a deep structural level," he said.

BSU member Tremaine Thompson said many people don't know — or appreciate — why they have the third Monday in January off from school and work.

"It seems like it's not as important anymore — like it's just a holiday," he said.

Summers agreed that MLK has a different meaning in 2003 than in the 60s.

"MLK was a symbol of accomplishment," he said. "That's still true to a certain extent, but MLK as a symbol has been appropriated by Madison Avenue."

Some, like Lewis and fellow BSU members Kennasha Roberson and Erica Tucker, said the University is lacking in diversity.

"Diversity is not just about having a student union," Roberson said. "It's not just separate places for everyone — that's segregation." Thompson said the majority of white students at the University don't see racism or prejudice because they don't personally experience it.

"We're still in the back of the bus, metaphorically speaking," he

said.

University Bias Response Team coordinator Chicora Martin said four racially related complaints were filed last term, which she said is about average. But she added that acts of racism are more common than the figures show because many incidents go unreported.

Lewis said black students face more pressure to act as good examples for all black people.

"I feel like I have to be a spokesperson for every black person so people wouldn't believe all black people are like that," Lewis said. "I have to make a conscientious choice to sit in the front of the bus, because if I sit in the back, it's bad."

Roberson agreed, saying black students have to be representatives of their race, "whether you like it or not."

Most BSU members agree that the positive achievements of Martin Luther King Jr. and the Civil Rights Movement outweigh the negative ones present today.

"I wouldn't be going here if it wasn't for them," Thompson said.

Male foreign nationals required to register

By Katie List

IOWA STATE DAILY (IOWA STATE U.)

(U-WIRE) AMES, Iowa — Imagine spending seven hours in a cramped federal office, waiting to be fingerprinted and interviewed by Immigration and Naturalization Service officials. You don't know why you're there, only that the Department of Justice has asked all nonimmigrant men older than the age of 16 from your birth country to report in.

You ask a clerk at the INS, who responds, "It all goes back to September 11," but refuses to elaborate.

This was Soufi Basem's experience. Basem, an Iowa State University senior in computer engineering from Damascus, Syria, was getting ready for Thanksgiving break when he learned, via a friend, that he was in danger of being deported if he did not register with the INS.

So, Basem and two friends gathered their papers, got letters from Alumni Hall proving their status as full-time students and made a trip to the INS office in Des Moines.

After waiting for seven hours, Basem was fingerprinted, asked about his activities in the United States, where he lives, his phone number, parents' names, passport number and driver's license number. He will repeat this process every year at the same time for as long as he lives in the United States.

Basem took part in the National Security Entry-Exit Registration System, devised by the Justice Department to tag foreign nationals who are possible risks to national security. It was designed to make up for weaknesses in the current immigration system, which "does not provide for the collection of information on the activities and whereabouts of aliens holding nonimmigrant visas," according to a Justice Department press release. Basem holds a student visa, and Syria was among the first group of countries listed for special registration.

The USA Patriot Act spurred the creation of this system, which runs the fingerprints of registrants against a database of known criminals and terrorists. U.S. law already required immigrants to be fingerprinted and interviewed, but those requirements have been suspended

for decades. In addition, there is a newly limited list of airports from which certain foreign visitors can leave and enter the United States.

"I just did that interview because of who I am, where I was born, things I cannot change," Basem said.

In a press release, the Justice Department said the program should identify aliens who pose the highest risk of involvement in terrorist organizations, and notify the FBI of aliens who overstay their visas or deviate from their original plans.

Twenty countries, mostly Muslim and Arabic-speaking, have been identified and listed for special registration. Nonimmigrant alien males over the age of 16 from the following countries must register: Iran, Iraq, Libya, Sudan, Syria, Afghanistan, Algeria, Bahrain, Eritrea, Lebanon, Morocco, North Korea, Oman, Qatar, Somalia, Tunisia, United Arab Emirates, Yemen, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia.

The countries have been broken up into groups assigned three separate "call-in" dates, and Pakistan and Saudi Arabia are currently registering.

Dennis Peterson, director of International Education Services, said 16 ISU students were affected by the first round of call-ins, including Basem. Peterson estimates, however, that at least 100 Pakistani and Saudi Arabian students at Iowa State will have to register.

"We e-mailed all the students from that first group of countries," Peterson said. "We've heard about long waits in Des Moines, but we haven't heard of any of those registered getting arrested or deported."

Basem, however, said the letter he received from International Education Services came "too late." He wonders what would have happened if he never found out about the registration.

"What if he [his friend] hadn't told me?" Basem asked.

Both the INS and the Justice Department have been roundly criticized for not circulating notices of the special registration.

Ben Stone, executive director of the Iowa Civil Liberties Union, calls the registration "very confusing and very disorganized, which makes it difficult for immigrants to comply."



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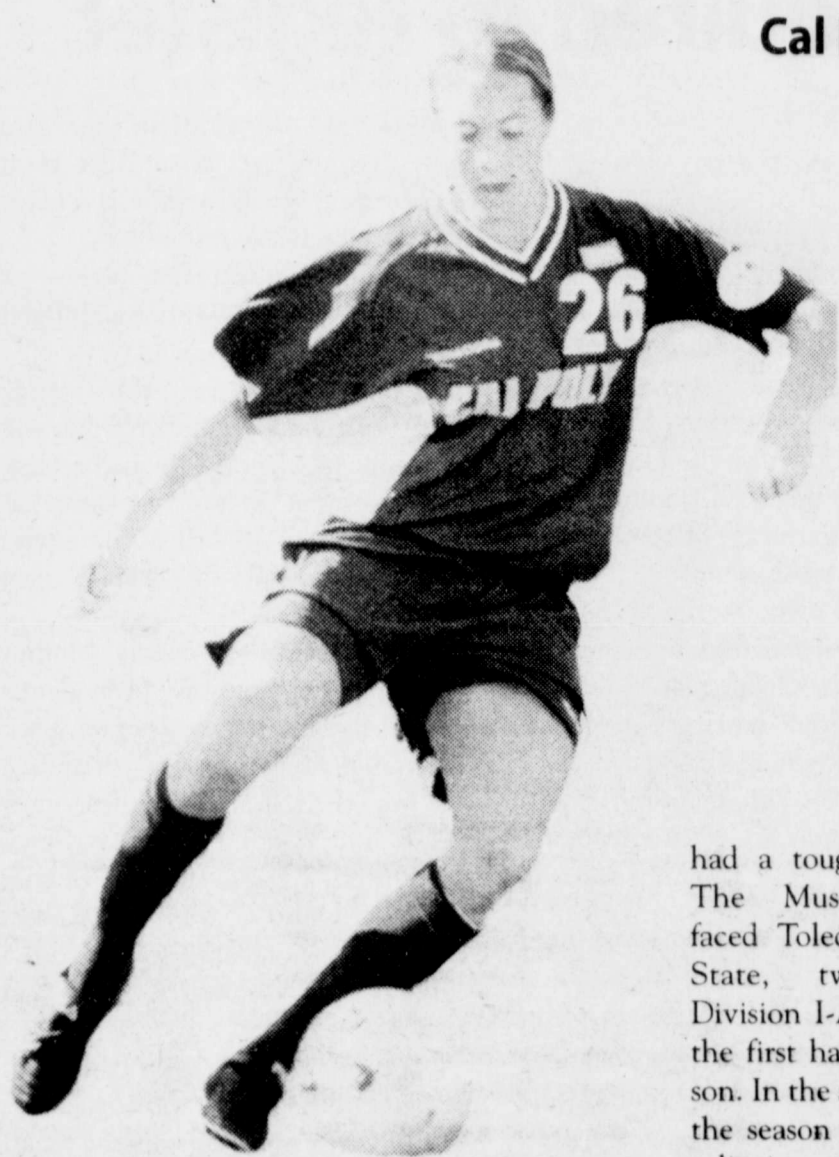
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Leaves crunching underfoot mark fall quarter for Cal Poly students. The quarter for Cal Poly athletes on fall sports teams is filled also with crunching. On gym courts, between goal lines and on the open track, Cal Poly athletes push themselves for their teams. They are the Mustangs, and these are their stories.

The women's volleyball team opened its season playing the most ambitious non-conference schedule in the history of the program, according to the Cal Poly athletics Web site at gopoly.com.

"After losing the first seven games, we were pessimistic about (qualifying for) the NCAAs," said Lindsey Martin, a red-shirt freshman. "When you're that far down, it's hard to look up."

Midway through the season, the Mustangs played UC Santa Barbara. Cal Poly lost, but the match turned around the Mustangs' season.

"After the match against Santa Barbara (18-0), we (played) really well," Martin said.

An upset win against Long Beach State (15-3), No. 2 in the Big West, marked the highlight of the season, Martin said. Wins over UC Riverside (2-16) and Cal State Fullerton (1-17) rebuilt the Mustangs' confidence, and they went on to reach third place in the Big West Conference standings.

The Mustangs finished above Pacific (12-6), upsetting UOP's comfortable niche in the top three of the Big West. A loss to Pacific earlier in the season marked the low point of the conference season, Martin said. The Mustangs ended the season 13-5 in the Big West and earned a berth in the NCAA Tournament, where they lost to Pepperdine in the first round.

A tough schedule early in the season also plagued the Cal Poly football team.

"Being 0-5 at the beginning of the season was the most humiliating experience," running back Aaron Schafer said. "We kept going because we knew we

had a tough schedule." The Mustangs (3-8) faced Toledo and Kent State, two NCAA Division I-A schools, in the first half of the season. In the second half of the season the Mustangs split six games.

"It came down to us not having any luck," Schafer said. "We have skill and unity, but no luck."

In one game, Cal Poly lost on Kent State's hail-Mary pass late in the final minute of the game. On the previous play, the Cal Poly kickoff sent the ball right at the face of a Kent State receiver.

"It was one in a thousand chance he would catch it, but he did," Schafer said.

However, the Mustangs did not crumble under the weight of a rough season, he said.

"We played for the people who supported us, to show we cared and that we worked our butts off to become what we are," Schafer said.

Besides scoring goals on the field, the Cal Poly women's soccer team reached a larger goal of winning the Big West Conference.

"We achieved our goal and had an above-average season," midfielder Heather Bryan said.

Winning a 2-1 overtime game against Cal State Fullerton, the predicted winner of the Big West, was one of the highlights.

"The team as a whole gelled, so we didn't have low points," Bryan said.

The Mustangs concluded the season with a 14-7 record overall, earning a berth in the NCAA Tournament, where the team was eliminated with a 4-0 loss to Stanford in the first round.

While the women's soccer team was "gelling," the men's soccer team was building character.

"It was a challenging season; we saw a lot of perseverance within the team," midfielder J.J. Young said.

The Mustangs were shut out in four of their last six games, also setting the school record for

fewest wins and most goals allowed. Amidst setting record lows, one of the team's highlights came in an overtime win against Saint Mary's.

"We put together a solid 90-minute game," Young said.

At mid-season, the team experienced challenging injuries.

"We lost the depth that we started with, as injury forced people to play in positions they were not normally suited for," Young said.

The men's soccer team finished last in the Big West Conference and looks to improve next season with 10 returning starters.

"Next season, we will take what we learned and apply it on a higher level of success," Young said.

The men's cross country team reached for that higher level, but got tangled in the point system.

The team finished third in regionals, beneath Stanford — No. 1 in the nation — and Oregon.

Although the Mustangs finished 26th in the nation, their high national ranking did not result in a bid to the nationals.

"The team was disappointed," said Matt Swaney, who runs cross country and the 5k in track.

The low point of the season came at a pre-nationals meet, when the team didn't perform to its standards.

"We knew then that we would probably have to beat Arizona State at regionals to go to nationals," Swaney said.

The Mustangs did not prevail, but the regionals were still a memorable meet.

"Regionals was the high point of the season, when the team finished third and surprised a lot of people," Swaney said. "The team had its best race when it counted most."

The cross country women's team had higher hopes for the end of their season, finishing the year 13th at regionals.

"It was a season for rebuilding," said Ashlee Dere, a member of the team.

The team became closer and looks forward to next year, as the entire team will return.

"We know we are capable of more," Dere said.

The Mustang fall sports teams ended up

at both ends of the success spectrum. The volleyball and women's soccer teams reached their goals making the NCAA Tournament. Men's soccer and football made it through a dismal season. But all of the teams are looking forward to the promise of a fresh start in 2003.

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SCORES

vs. utah state	81
vs. idaho	66
vs. idaho	35
vs. oklahoma	26
vs. pepperdine	5
vs. cs northridge	118

SCHEDULE

vs. pacific	thurs., jan. 16, 7 p.m. @ cal poly
vs. cs northridge	sat., jan. 18, 7 p.m. @ cal poly
vs. pacific	thurs., jan. 16, 7 p.m. @ pacific
vs. cs northridge	sat., jan. 18, 7 p.m. @ northridge
vs. nebraska	sat., jan. 18, 1 p.m. @ cal poly
vs. cs bakersfield	sun., jan. 19, 5 p.m. @ cal poly
vs. claremont	sat., jan. 18, 1 p.m. @ cal poly
vs. uc davis	mon., jan. 20, 10 a.m. @ cal poly
vs. pepperdine	sat., jan. 18, 11 p.m. @ pepperdine

STATS

By the numbers

Record of Cal Poly senior wrestler David Schenk this season. Schenk, a 197-pounder, is 7-0 in dual meet competitions.

Record of Cal Poly sophomore wrestler Vic Moreno. Moreno, who at 125 pounds is the Mustangs' lightest competitor, is 11-4 in tournament play.

TRIVIA

today's question

Where did the Los Angeles Clippers relocate from?

Submit answers to: jjackso@calpoly.edu

Thursday's question

Who are the four Division I basketball coaches with 800 wins?

Adolf Rupp, Pat Summitt, Dean Smith, and Jim Phelan

Congratulations Adam Mayberry, Joey Alsop and Daniel Lee!!

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